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Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A facsimile apparatus comprising:  
a communication section which performs image data  
communication utilizing a mail transmission system of a computer  
network;  
5 a printer; ~~which prints an arbitrary image;~~  
a determining section which, if a delivery confirmation  
mail, which notifies whether delivery of the image data has  
succeeded or failed, has arrived, determines whether the delivery  
confirmation mail notifies a delivery failure of the image data  
10 transmitted from the communication section; ~~is notified by the~~  
~~delivery confirmation mail;~~ and  
a control section which causes the printer to print an image  
based on the delivery confirmation mail, only if the determining  
section has determined that the delivery failure is notified.
2. (Currently Amended) A facsimile apparatus according to  
claim 1, further comprising:  
an acceptance section which accepts ~~user~~ a designation input  
by a user as to whether or not the delivery confirmation mail is  
5 requested, if the user requests transmission of the image data;  
and

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10 a request section which causes the communication section to perform transmission of the image data together with the a request of for the delivery confirmation mail, ~~in response to the acceptance section accepting the user if the~~ designation that the delivery confirmation mail is requested is input to the acceptance section,

15 wherein the control section causes the printer to print the image based on the delivery confirmation mail regardless of a determination result of the determining section, if the delivery confirmation mail has arrived in response to the transmission of the image data together with the request of the delivery confirmation mail ~~performed under control of the request section~~ in accordance with the designation input by the user.

3. (Currently Amended) A facsimile apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the communication section transmits an e-mail, to which the image data is attached as an attachment file, based on an e-mail protocol.

Claims 4-7 (Canceled).

8. (Currently Amended) A method of controlling a facsimile apparatus ~~having~~ including a printer and a communication section which performs image data communication utilizing a mail

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transmission system of a computer network, ~~and a printer which~~  
5 ~~prints an arbitrary image,~~ the method comprising:

determining, if a delivery confirmation mail, which notifies  
whether delivery of the image data has succeeded or failed, has  
arrived, whether the delivery confirmation mail notifies a  
delivery failure of the image data transmitted from the  
10 communication section; ~~is notified by the delivery confirmation~~  
~~mail,~~ and

causing the printer to print an image based on the delivery  
confirmation mail, only if it has been determined that the  
delivery failure is notified.

Claim 9 (Canceled).

10. (New) A method according to claim 8, further  
comprising:

accepting a designation input by a user as to whether or not  
the delivery confirmation mail is requested, if the user requests  
5 transmission of the image data; and

causing the communication section to perform transmission of  
the image data together with a request for the delivery  
confirmation mail, if the designation that the delivery  
confirmation mail is requested is input by the user,

10 wherein the printer is caused to print the image based on  
the delivery confirmation mail regardless of whether it has been

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determined that the delivery failure is notified, if the delivery  
confirmation mail has arrived in response to the transmission of  
the image data together with the request of the delivery  
15 confirmation mail in accordance with the designation input by the  
user.

11. (New) A method according to claim 8, wherein the  
communication section transmits an e-mail, to which the image  
data is attached as an attachment file, based on an e-mail  
protocol.

12. (New) A facsimile apparatus comprising:  
communication means for performing image data communication  
utilizing a mail transmission system of a computer network;  
means for printing an image;

5 means for determining, if a delivery confirmation mail,  
which notifies whether delivery of the image data has succeeded  
or failed, has arrived, whether the delivery confirmation mail  
notifies a delivery failure of the image data transmitted by the  
communication means; and

10 means for controlling the printing means to print an image  
based on the delivery confirmation mail, only if the determining  
means has determined that the delivery failure is notified.

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13. (New) A facsimile apparatus according to claim 12,  
further comprising:

means for accepting a designation input by a user as to  
whether or not the delivery confirmation mail is requested, if  
5 the user requests transmission of the image data; and

means for causing the communication means to perform  
transmission of the image data together with a request for the  
delivery confirmation mail, if the designation that the delivery  
confirmation mail is requested is input by the user to the  
10 accepting means,

wherein the printing means is caused to print the image  
based on the delivery confirmation mail regardless of whether the  
determining means determines that the delivery failure is  
notified, if the delivery confirmation mail has arrived in  
15 response to the transmission of the image data together with the  
request of the delivery confirmation mail in accordance with the  
designation input by the user.

14. (New) A facsimile apparatus according to claim 12,  
wherein the communication means transmits an e-mail, to which the  
image data is attached as an attachment file, based on an e-mail  
protocol.